The Parliament of Sint Maarten in its meeting of today, November 2 2017,

Considering:

- The devastating impact of hurricane Irma, a category 5-plus hurricane, which battered St Maarten on September 6, 2017;
- That on October 4th, 2017 a motion was presented, subsequently unanimously accepted in Parliament, expressing Parliament’s concerns and urgently calling on Government to address pressing and urgent matters the Country found itself faced with and made several recommendations to address said matters.
- That Parliament believes that in the handling of matters, before, during and after hurricane Irma, there was gross neglect by the Prime Minister in his capacity of chief of disaster management.
- That the Prime Minister’s confrontational attitude over and again is setting St. Maarten backward rather than forward.
- That this neglect and attitude have had serious consequences for the people of St. Maarten.
- That nowhere is this more evident than the standoff with the Dutch/Kingdom government on the matter of conditions attached to receiving aid from the Kingdom government.
- That this confrontation has seriously jeopardized the flow of reconstruction funds from the Netherlands.
- That it is unlikely that the government’s last minute agreement with aforementioned conditions, will have any positive effect on the flow of the funds.
- That 2 months following the hurricane there is still no damage and needs assessment;
- That the Government, in the opinion of Parliament failed in its responsibilities to protect the people of Sint Maarten in the wake of a disaster.

Resolves

To declare that the Parliament of St. Maarten has no confidence in the ability of the government to rectify the impasse, correct its shortcomings and to timely address the urgent needs of St. Maarten.
To express no confidence in the following Ministers:

William Marlin
Silveria Jacobs
Christopher Emmanuel
Rafael Boasman
Melissa Arrindell - Doncher
Richard Gibson

And goes over to the order of the day.

Signature/Signatures

S.A. Wescot-Williams
T. Leonard
C. Brownbill

T. Heyliger,
S. Bijlani
F. Meyers

P. Geerlings
C. Connor

Copies of this motion to be sent to:
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The Government of Sint Maarten
The Parliament of Aruba
The Parliament of Curacao
The Government of Aruba
The Government of Curacao
The Kingdom Government
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